

Holt County Sentinel

OFFICIAL PAPER OF HOLT COUNTY,

OREGON, Mo., APRIL 11, 1873.

NOT SLYING RAILROAD MEETING.

Our friends at Mound City feel very anxious over the near prospects of a railroad through that place. On the 4th instant Mr. King, secretary of the Quincy & Pacific Railroad, addressed the citizens of Mound City. "He stated among other things, that Holt was the finest town he had ever seen, and all that they needed was development and a ready access to market by means of a railroad. He said there was a first rate natural route through the county where the road could be built, and that the company proposed to build the road through the county, and expected the townships along the line to aid them by means of township subscriptions, the bonds to draw 6 per cent interest per annum, and to run 20 years. No money to be paid until the road is finished and in running order. He did not wish to dictate to the citizens of Holt county, but he thought Clay Township should subscribe \$30,000, Benton township \$75,000 and Bigelow township \$50,000.

Mr. J. H. Glenn, our former representative presided at this meeting, and it was resolved to call a mass meeting of all the citizens of Benton township for Friday, April 11th, at Mound City, to take further steps in the premises.

We sincerely hope that the railway spoken of above may be constructed through our county. But in view of the present cramped condition of the finances of our citizens we are at a loss to see how Clay, Benton and Bigelow townships, can afford to take the amount of stock expected of them, \$175,000 for these three townships, without any assistance from the balance of the county, is no light undertaking. This subscription is greater by \$25,000 than what Atchison county had originally pledged, and the company had agreed to build the road for, through that county via. Quittman and Rock Port—a route abounding in so many obstacles, by way of high grades and bridging the streams, as to cause the company faint at the outset.

We were told by the gentlemanly engineers who surveyed the road along Schouler and Davis creeks, that the road through Holt county could be built at least 150,000 dollars cheaper than via Quittman and Rock Port. They say it could be built cheaper and yet they want more money from us than the did from Atchison. How is that, Mr. Secretary King?

The safest course, it seems to us, for the people of Holt county to pursue in this matter is, to give the company as many and as heavy private subscriptions as they can afford. Subscriptions by counties, cities and townships to subsidize railroads are much more difficult to make now than they were 12 years ago. We refer our readers to the following clause in the session acts of 1871-2:

Acts 1871-2, p. 19, § 1. No county court of any county, city council of any city, nor any board of trustees of any incorporated town shall hereafter have the right to donate, take, or subscribe stock for any railroad, or incorporate town in, or loan the credit thereof to, any railroad company, corporation or association, unless authorized to do so by a vote of two-thirds of the qualified voters of such county, city, or incorporated town, shall be adjudged guilty of a felony, and on conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than two years. [Approved Feb. 16, 1872. Inconsistent acts repealed. Took effect on, and after its passage.]

BULLY FOR AUNT JERUSAH!!

MR. EDITOR: In the exuberance of my feelings, I must cry out, and that my voice may be heard throughout the length and breadth of our country, I beg of you to assist me through your columns, "Bully for Aunt Jerusha." World, God, there were hundreds more Aunt Jerushas in our country. Old fogyism would soon have to hide its deformed head. But, sir, the time is not far in the future when every Aunt Jerusha of our State will be enabled not only to express their sentiments as our "Aunt Jerushas" do, but they will be enabled to act in such a manner that all the skulking old Uncle Benefits will bow their heads with shame. Keep cool, Auntie, a little while, and we will see which way the wind blows, and whether every improvement beneficial to the county at large shall be met with remonstrances, under the plea of sectionalism, signed by the connivance and misrepresentation of said benefactors. Just let me whisper a secret in your ear. Petitions are even now on foot throughout our State, asking the law making body to grant you and all other Aunt Jerushas the right of suffrage. The good time is coming of which poets have sang and wise men spoke, so keep up a good heart, never say die, and all will yet be well.

Bully for Aunt Jerusha!
UNCLE SLOCUM.

FORBES, HOLT COUNTY, Mo.
April 11th, 1873.

To the Farmers.

You can buy a Champion Walking Cultivator (one of the best in the market) of Messrs. Mansfield & Ellingwood, St. Joseph, Mo., for \$25.00 cash. They also have a large stock of Deere's Plows and Walking Cultivators, Buck-eye Grain Drills, and other Agricultural Implements that they intend to close out at prices that will give the farmer the benefit of discounts heretofore given to dealers. Call on them or send in your orders.

THE LIBERTY STEAL AND THE PEOPLE.

The act of the late Congress, in raising the salary of Senators and Representatives, and especially in voting \$5,000 extra pay to each member for the last two years, is reproached with increased severity from day to day. The people are not disposed to be tolerant of it. If any have hoped that it will soon be forgotten, and that no permanent obloquy will attach to it, they are probably mistaken. Those who voted for it will be held to a strict account, and those who accept its fruits may have occasion to regret a fatal blunder.

The public are not yet definitely informed who have refrained to take back pay. A few individuals have been named. Some have proposed to leave the money in the treasury. Others argue that justice can only be done to their districts by drawing the pay and donating it to public objects. What general course will be hit upon is not yet known, but the safest plan would seem to be to leave it where the member will not be compensated, but where it will still be within his control.

The Missouri members divided on this "grab," half of them voting for it and the other against it. Each political party taking a proportionate share of the responsibility. We were extremely sorry to find the name of the Hon. J. C. Parker, the Republican Congressman from this district, among those voting for the "grab." We bear all further comment as regards Mr. Parker's action in this matter, but we trust for the sake of his own reputation that he may be able to exonerate himself to the satisfaction of his constituents.

We also hope that all those Congressmen who were honestly opposed to this iniquity, will show their faith to the interests of the people by refusing to accept the extra pay.

Does anybody doubt that whoever accepts this \$5,000 will find it a bar to future promotion? Does he imagine that rivals and political opponents will forget it? And when the objection is made is it not likely to be fatal? Those who are interested should count the cost, for they must abide the consequences.

If the indignation felt concerning this matter was the result of a mean and parsimonious spirit, the case would be different. If the members of Congress, like the members of most legislatures, had been working for a platinum, they could justly reflect their conduct. But their pay was the most liberal under the government. Five thousand dollars and mileage for 150 to 175 days' work, was not a mean salary. It was two or three times as much, proportionately, as was paid to the President, Secretaries and Judges, who are located at Washington, and who labor through the year. It was more than most Congressmen realize from their private business for the same length of service, or even for a full year's work. This stamp the \$2,500 increase as an outrage. It was a princely addition to a good salary, voted by themselves into their own pockets. And to cap this wrong with a climax of rascality these Congressmen voted to pay \$5,000 extra apiece for the term just expired! A more glaring case of official robbery, under the form of law, was never perpetrated; and it is no wonder that the people—oppressed with taxation, and suffering from depression in business—look with amazement upon this shameful act of their representatives.

The sentiment is already awakened on this subject in so strong that retribution is not likely to stop with the punishment of the guilty. The people will not be content with calling their blunders to account. Already the cry of "repeal" is heard. The increased salary is too high, and must be reduced—the blot upon honest legislation is too black and must be wiped out. This is the way opinion is tending. It may, or may not, rise so high as to enforce its decrees. But its threatenings are ominous, and all who are in peril should take timely warning.

YOUNG FARMER TO FOLK."

EDITOR SENTINEL: I did not think that a reply to "Folk's" former article would draw me into an extended controversy. I have a decided dislike for the same zeal he has manifested in going for "County Surveyor."

J. L. GRISBY, KING GROVE, Mo., March 25th, 1873.

and then go ahead." Very good. When will we go ahead, at the present rate of things? I'll guarantee, the merchants did not hold notes to the amount of \$150,000. In order for us to get out of debt and prosper, the merchant must sell to us at a profit commensurate with the times: we must receive living prices for our productions. We want merchants, manufacturers and pork-packer's rings dissolved; our railroad system altered and made subservient to law, and we must have fewer hiring lawyers, most of whom can be bought for any price, varying between half a pound of peanuts and \$5,000 in currency in our Legislative Halls.

"Folk" further speaks of bearing the merchant down. The order of Patrons is not designed to be the least injury legitimate trade. It is wholly a defrauding movement. The farmer has borne so long as he is able, the encroachments of rings and monopolies. All other branches of industry are united to enhance their own interests. He has stood singly and been a prey to their united avarice, until duty to himself and family calls loudly for action.

In the course of time any action should be taken, which should prove detrimental to the interests of the merchant, let them shoulder the whole responsibility. Had they, during these times, when the farmer's production did not pay the expenses of producing, been willing to trade with us at fair living profits, instead of keeping up war prices, the farmer would never take the trade which properly belongs to them into their own hands. The called dresses and horse leather shoes of our wives would not have compelled us to mortgage our farms to the amount of \$150,000.

YOUNG FARMER.

Editor Sentinel: Dear Sir: In your last issue I see that "North East" gives me a passing notice, and advises me to read that article from Whig Valley again and see. My paper of that date being either misplaced or loaned, I cannot have that pleasure, but it matters not, for I certainly understand his meaning when he exclaimed in his pious way, "may much good be accomplished." I knew that he referred to the protracted meeting. There may be another one that of the impurities, carbonic acid gas, another one from combustion. Impurities of air found largely in old cellars and wells, is carbonic acid gas. Compensation comes from the sun. Large amounts of decayed vegetation produces malaria: don't rise to more than the height of 60 feet mostly found in low grounds. How to retain heat and at the same time get fresh air. Stove should be surrounded with jacket of brick or sheet iron. Cold air to be let in from beneath near the stove. Ventilation from above not good; 20 ounces of decayed animal matter goes from the human body per day in the shape of insensible perspiration.

Music by the Glee Club: "The contest." Report of committee on resolutions read, received and committee discharged.

The following were appointed as an executive committee: W. F. Drake, H. Hersberger, Sam Riley, C. A. Doughty, Misses M. M. Canon and Fannie Soper.

Several bills presented and allowed.

PHARMALE AND RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, It has been proposed upon to your committees to draft resolutions expressing the thoughts of the Institute upon certain subjects, therefore we submit the following:

1st Resolved, That as a band of teachers, we more than ever realize the responsibility of our work, and hereby propose to make a contribution of \$100 to the fund of Holt county, and about the same distance from the Kansas City, St. Joe & Council Bluff Railroad.

2d. That we tender either in bulk or in parcels to suit purchasers.

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2d. That as teachers appreciate the instruction given us by Prof. Johomot, Principal of the Warrensburg Normal School, and the manner in which he has conducted our Institute, further that he has deserved the much needed recognition in the true principles of education.

3d. That we as an association tender our thanks to our worthy Superintendent for the prompt and energetic manner in which he has presided over the meetings of this session of the Institute.

4th. That we tender our thanks to the Glee Club, Oregon Cornet Band and the ladies who at different times disclosed music to enliven the occasion, also to Mrs. Wilson for the use of her excellent instrument.

5th. That we tender our thanks to Mr. Hartman, Proprietor of the Palace Hotel, and also to private families who have furnished board to teachers attending the institute at very liberal reduced prices, thereby encouraging a more general attendance of teachers at the Institute.

6th. That we tender our thanks to the citizens of Oregon and vicinity, for their liberal attendance at our Institute, also to their marked attention and good order.

7th. That the editor of the Holt County Sentinel, be requested to publish in his paper the proceedings of the Institute with a copy of the foregoing resolutions.

Music by Glee Club, Crows in the Confinement. Adjudged.

E. S. EYERLY, President.

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A WORD TO TRAVELERS!

We have a word to say in favor of the Missouri Pacific Railroad. It was the "pioneer" line Westward and is the "old reliable" route to St. Louis. With the improvements which have been made during the past year, we believe that the Missouri Pacific has the best track and the finest and safest equipment of any line west of the Mississippi. It is the only line which runs three daily express trains of fine Coaches and Pullman Sleepers, equipped with the Miller platform and the patent air brake, from leading points in the West, through Kansas City, Sedalia and Jefferson City to the Valley, (as I am assured it will be shortly,) I hope that "North East" will be among the first to walk up and down his three dollars and become a more popular teacher.

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